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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EFIN, EAID, EIND, MR

SUBJECT: SUGAR REFINERY: EX-IM BANK FINANCING

REF: (A) NOUAKCHOTT 213, (B) NOUAKCHOTT 228, (C) STATE 36220

1. GIRM MINISTER OF INDUSTRIALIZATION AND MINES OULD RAJEL CALLED AMBASSADOR TODAY TO EXPRESS GREAT CONCERN OVER STATUS OF EX-IM BANK LOAN FOR SUGAR REFINERY. SOME WEEKS AGO GIRM RECEIVED COMMUNICATION FROM EX-IM WHICH SAID EVERYTHING ON TRACK WHILE ITEMIZING NUMBER OF ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS MAURITANIA MUST CARRY OUT SUCH AS PAYMENT "ENGAGEMENT FEE". OULD RAJEL REPORTED GIRM PAID THIS FEE SOP THREE WEEKS AGO, AND HE BELIEVES GOVERNMENT HAS NOW COMPLIED WITH ALL OTHER OUTSTANDING REQUIREMENTS. HAVING RECEIVED NO FURTHER COMMUNICATION FROM EX-IM, MINISTER SENT URGENT CABLE TO EX-IM ONE WEEK AGO TO ASCERTAIN STATUS OF EX-IM LINE OF CREDIT. GIRM IS STILL WAITING FOR RESPONSE FROM EX-IM.

2. OULD RAJEL IS MOST UNHAPPY. FIRST, BECAUSE LACK OF RESPONSE FROM EX-IM HAS PREVENTED SAILING OF SHIP LOADED WITH EQUIPMENT FOR SUGAR REFINERY. DEPARTURE OF SHIP IS BEING HELD UP IN UNNAMED EAST COAST PORT BECAUSE PAYMENT HAS NOT YET BEEN MADE FOR EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES. SECOND, BECAUSE HIS EFFORTS TO ASCERTAIN STATUS HAVE BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL. MINISTER DECLARED HE WAS PREPARED TAKE WHATEVER ADDITIONAL ACTIONS EX-IM MAY REQUIRE BUT POINTED OUT HE

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CAN DO NOTHING FACTHER UNTIL BANK IDENTIFIES SPECIFIC PROBLEM(S).

RAJEL CONCLUDED WITH STATEMENT THAT EX-IM'S UNEXPLAINED DEALY  
IN IMPLEMENTING AGREED LINE OF CREDIT HAD PLACED GIRM IN  
EXTREMELY DIFFICULT POSITION.

3. REQUEST DEPT. OFFICER CONTACT EX-IM ASAP IN ORDER TO  
DETERMINE CURRENT STATUS OF EX-IM LOAN AND TAKE WHATEVER STEPS  
MAY BE APPROPRIATE TO INSURE PAYMENT AND SPRING SHIP FROM EAST  
COAST PORT. WOULD ALSO VERY MUCH APPRECIATE SITREP TO  
ENABLE US GET WORD TO MINISTER WITH REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN.  
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